# The Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs - Office of Autism $2015 \; ASD \; PARENT \; SUMMIT:$

# ADVOCACY THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

FRIDAY MAY 8 & SATURDAY MAY 9

FOR PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, PROFESSIONALS, AND SELF-ADVOCATES FROM ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY



BARREN RIVER STATE RESORT PARK 1149 STATE PARK ROAD LUCAS, KY 42156

Keynote Presentation: Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 - 10:00am CST United We Stand! The Importance of Collaborative Advocacy Presented by: MaryLee Underwood

Whether it's in the classroom or at the Capitol, working together results in greater success. For people with disabilities, the world has truly changed because individuals and families banded together to advocate for greater rights and supports. This session will provide an overview of what can be done and how.

MaryLee Underwood is the Executive Director of the Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities. As the mother of a child with disabilities, MaryLee knows the challenges and blessings that families encounter. She is a graduate of the University of Kentucky, School of Social Work, and the University of North Carolina, School of Law.



## Friday, May 8

4:00-6:15 Registration

5:00-6:15 Dinner

6:15-6:30 Welcome

6:30-7:30 Roundtables

7:30-8:00 Networking

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The roundtables on Friday evening will focus on resources and networking with groups and individuals from across Kentucky. Saturday, following MaryLee's empowering presentation, Summit attendees will select 3 breakout sessions to attend. Topics include: Medicaid, behavior, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, supported employment, IEP, parent advocacy, and partnering with your child's doctor.

Registration fee is \$15 per person and includes all sessions and meals. Limited FREE lodging is also available families of persons with autism and self-advocates. Registration closes on Tuesday April 21.

#### **Register online:**

https://reg.abcsignup.com/view/view\_month.aspx?as=47&wp=116
&aid=KATC

## **Questions?? Contact:**

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#### Saturday, May 9

7:00-9:00 Breakfast

8:00-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:00 Keynote

10:15-11:30 Session 1

11:45-12:45 Lunch

1:00-2:15 Session 2

2:30-3:45 Session 3

3:45-4:00 Evaluations